COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF TRIMBLE COUNTY WATER)
DISTRICT NO. 1 OF TRIMBLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY)
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE) CASE NO.
AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AND FINANCE	ý 97-314
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF KRS 278.023	j

ORDER

On July 11, 1997, Trimble County Water District No. 1 ("Trimble Water No. 1") submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$174,000 waterworks improvement project and for approval of its plan of financing for this project. This project will provide service to 17 additional customers. Project funding is a \$60,000 bond issue to be purchased pursuant to an agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development ("RD"); a \$74,000 grant from the RD; and a \$40,000 contribution from the Applicant.

Trimble Water No. 1's application was made pursuant to KRS 278.023, which requires the Commission to accept agreements between water utilities and the U. S. Department of Agriculture or the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to issue the necessary orders to implement the terms of such agreements within 30 days of satisfactory completion of the minimum filing requirements. Given that minimum filing requirements were met in this case on July 11, 1997, KRS 278.023 does not grant the Commission any discretionary authority to modify or reject any portion of this agreement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Trimble Water No. 1 is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience

and Necessity for the proposed construction project.

2. Trimble Water No. 1's proposed plan of financing with RD is accepted.

3. Trimble Water No. 1 is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$60,000.

4. Trimble Water No. 1 shall file a copy of the "as-built" drawings and a certified

statement that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the

contract plans and specifications within 60 days of the substantial completion of the

construction certificated herein.

5. Trimble Water No. 1 shall monitor the adequacies of the expanded water

distribution system after construction. If the level of service is inadequate or declining or

the pressure to any customer falls outside the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section

5(1), Trimble Water No. 1 shall take immediate action to bring the system into compliance

with Commission regulations.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a warranty of the Commonwealth of

Kentucky, or any agency thereof, of the financing herein accepted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of August, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

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Executive Director

ATTEST: